President : A considerable time. I may at once say this much. The whole matter is being considered by the Government of India and they have indicated that they would concentrate on certain matters. As this Government have made it clear, we are not wholly dependent upon any conclusions that are arrived at by the Government of India, although we should like to work in the fullest possible co-operation with that Government. It may be of interest to the honourable Members of this Legislature and to the public of Travancore to know that I have been nominated for representating this State on the General Policy Committee of the Post-War Reconstruction Committee of the Government of India. In other words, the work of all the various sub-committees of the Post-War Reconstruction Committee will be placed before this General Policy Committee where there are only two representatives of Indian States. They are Sir Mirza Ismail and myself. The whole question of Post-War Reconstruction in so far as it will be undertaken in India and especially in the Indian States will be discussed in the Policy Committee. The work of the various sub-committees will proceed after we know exactly the conspectus of work in India as a whole in order to avoid the over-lapping of activities and useless expenditure on matters which appear to be otiose or unnecessary. The Post-War Reconstruction Committee of Travancore will meet immediately after the main decisions have been taken by the Policy Committee. But before arriving at final decisions, the House will be consulted. It may also be of interest to the honourable Members of the House to know that in the sub-committee appointed by the Government of India on hydro electric development, I am representing this State.

Income Tax appeals.

36. ***Mr. N. Narayana Kurup** (*Karunagapalli, Kartikapalli and Ambalapuzha* cum *Shertallai*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) the number of Income Tax appeals filed by the agriculturists of Ambalapuzha from 1-10-1119 to 31-10-1119 ; and

(*b*) the number of appeals allowed and dismissed ?

Rajyasevapravina G. Parameswaran Pillai (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : (*a*) Nil.

(*b*) In view of the answer to part (*a*), part (*b*) does not arise.

Secret profit Tax.

37. ***Mr. N. Narayana Kurup :** Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether they have demanded a tax by name, secret profit tax from any in the State ;

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[Mr. N. Narayana Kurup.]

(*b*) if the answer to (*a*) is in the affirmative, what they mean by secret profit tax ; and

(*c*) whether that will find a place in the accounts of the assessee ?

Rajyasevapravina G. Parameswaran Pillai : (*a*) No. (*b*) and (*c*). Do not arise in view of answer to part (*a*).

Soil Survey.

38. * **Mr. G. Narayana Aiyar** (*Nominated*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether any soil survey of all the taluks or any of the taluks of the State was conducted after 1110 ;

(*b*) if so, when and in which all taluks ;

(*c*) if the answer to part (*a*) is in the affirmative whether the result of such survey, if any, was made available to the public ; and

(*d*) if so, when ?

Mr. K. Subramonia Pillai : (*a*) Yes.

(*b*)

Shencottah	...	1110-13
Shertallai	...	1112-13
Kunnathunad	...	1114-17
Karunagapalli, Karthikapalli, Mavelikara	(Onattukarai)	1116-18
Kalkulam	...	1119—incomplete.

(*c*) and (*d*). Reports relating to Shertallai and Shencottah have been published in 1114 and 1116 respectively. Report relating to Kunnathunad is ready for publication and the Onattukarai report is under preparation.

Mr. G. Narayana Aiyar : In answer to parts (*c*) and (*d*) may I know whether the reports referred to have been published, either in the Government Gazette or in the form of special leaflets ?

Mr. K. Subramonia Pillai : The reports have been published in the form of departmental leaflets.

Mr. G. Narayana Aiyar : Then may I know whether those reports could be made available to the members of the Legislature ?

Mr. K. Subramonia Pillai : Yes Sir.

Mr. K. S. Joseph (*Mavelikara and Thiruvalla cum Pathanamthitta*) : May I know what were the terms of that enquiry ?

Mr. K. Subramonia Pillai : That referred to the soil survey in the taluks of the State.

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